Construction staging plans detailed

Design of the I-794 Lake Freeway/ Hoan Bridge rehabilitation project is nearly complete, and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) project team continues to meet regularly with stakeholders in the impacted area. With the community's input, the project team has developed plans and strategies to provide safe, efficient routes for travelers during construction.

Construction is scheduled to begin in fall 2013. Utility relocations will occur during the summer, prior to construction.

From 2013 to 2016, expect traffic impacts along I-794 and within the local street system, primarily along the east/west portion of the project

In fall of 2013, mitigation work will begin. This work includes improving local intersections and building ramps and crossovers to prepare for construction.

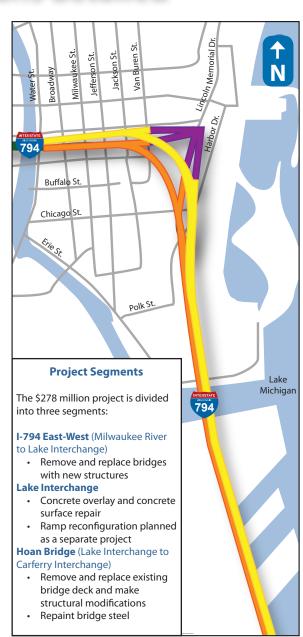
Once that work is completed in late fall, construction of eastbound I-794 and southbound over the Hoan Bridge will

begin. This stage is expected to take approximately one year and will be completed in late 2014. Northbound over the Hoan Bridge and westbound I-794 will be constructed from late 2014 through 2015. Motorists should anticipate lane reductions during the course of this work.

Movable Concrete Barrier (MCB) will be used on the Hoan Bridge to improve the flow of traffic during construction. During peak travel times, the MCB will allow for two lanes of traffic on the Hoan Bridge in the peak direction, reducing the need for detours to local streets.

Access to the Historic Third Ward and Downtown Milwaukee maintained

While WisDOT anticipates keeping as much access within the construction area open as possible, there will be ramp closures during construction. When specific ramps are closed, signs will be posted to help guide people along alternate routes to and from the Third Ward and Downtown.



Public Information Meeting

April 10, 2013 4-7pm Milwaukee Public Market Second Level

> 400 N. Water Street Milwaukee, WI

Schedule (color coded with map)

	2013				2014				2015			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
MITIGATION PROJECTS												
STAGE 1: I-794 SB/EB												
STAGE 2: I-794 NB/WB												

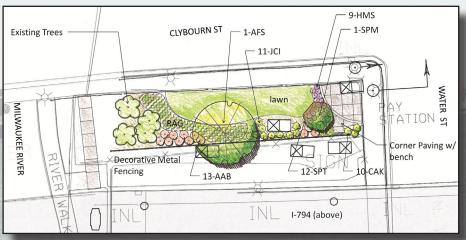
Project aesthetics to be reviewed at public meeting

Several aesthetic features are proposed for the I-794 / Hoan Bridge project. These features will aid in creating a transportation project that not only moves vehicles safely and efficiently, but is in harmony with the region and surrounding communities.

Proposed aesthetic features for the I-794 corridor include landscaping, an improved pedestrian pathway at Jefferson Street, and architectural design of bridges and retaining walls that pass through this highly active and historic area.



Jefferson pedestrian tunnel proposed improvements



Proposed landscaping at Water and Clybourn Streets

Public meeting planned

A public information meeting will be held **Wednesday**, **April 10** regarding the construction activities planned for the project. The meeting will be held from **4 to 7 p.m.** on the **second level of the Milwaukee Public Market**.

The meeting will be conducted in an open house style format. The project team will be on hand for the entire three hour time period to provide information, answer questions and collect public input.

This meeting is an opportunity to view exhibits regarding planned construction activities and staging, as well as review and provide input on proposed project aesthetics.

WisDOT is coordinating with the City of Milwaukee's St. Paul Bridge rehabilitation project scheduled to begin later this year. Representatives of the St. Paul team will be available during the meeting to present project information and answer questions.

Project information is available at: http://city.milwaukee.gov/mpw/supportforbusiness/projectsummaries/StPaulBridgeRehabilitation.htm

Parking impacts

There will be parking impacts for up to two years between Water Street and Jefferson Street.

WisDOT is working with parking lot lease representatives so they can communicate mitigation strategies to the people that park in these lots.

The Historic Third Ward's two public parking structures will be available throughout construction and are located at:

- 212 N. Milwaukee Street (Corner of Milwaukee and Chicago entrance on Milwaukee)
- 225 E. Chicago Street (Corner of Water and Chicago entrance on Chicago)

Visit ParkMilwaukee.com for detailed parking availability during construction.



What to Expect During Construction

Some construction activities are likely to create noise and/or dust. Be assured that we always work hard to minimize the impact of these events, but, if you have a concern, please do not hesitate to contact us so that we can address the issue immediately. Work that may be especially noisy or dusty will include:

- pile driving
- pavement breaking and crushing
- retaining wall construction
- excavation
- trucking
- night construction

"In This Together" business strategies and assistance

"In This Together" is a WisDOT program that targets statewide businesses facing road construction in their community. The program's goal is to help businesses maintain business while construction is underway.

WisDOT recognizes that businesses located in work zones have special needs. It is critical that customers have access and continue to patronize the businesses, in spite of roadwork inconvenience.

Strategies that the project team can assist businesses with include:

- Personalized Direction Sheets
- Business Signage during Full Closures
- Website links
- Customized Messages to Customers
- Lobby Posters









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